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By Carolyn Wyllie News 3 Reporter (NEWS 3) - A dozen Kalamazoo county Children will be staying in their permanent homes tonight.

The children were officially adopted during a state-wide adoption day.

It's not open you see kids crawling on the floor of a courtroom or sitting behind the bench, pounding the gavel. But today, the formalities of court were put aside.

One by one, families showed up to have their adoptions confirmed.

Kids of all ages were being adopted. This was an emotional day for lots of families, emotions that at times made it tough to hold back the tears.

This is the first ever Michigan Adoption Day and about 200 kids were scheduled to be adopted around the state.

Family Court Judges say this is the great part of their job. So often, the stories that come out of court don't have a happy ending.

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